CLAIMS

- 1. Use of a first agent endowed with tumour tropism in combination with a second anticancer agent endowed with affinity for said first agent as active ingredients for the preparation of a medicament useful for the two-step perioperative therapy of solid tumours.
- 2. Use according to claim 1, in which said agent endowed with tumour tropism contains one or more antibodies specific for antigens associated with a tumour.
- 3. Use according to claim 2, in which the antibody or antibodies in said medicament are biotinylated and are in combination with an avidin compound and said second agent is a biotin compound bearing an anticancer agent.
- 4. Use according to claim 2, in which the antibody in said medicament is avidinated and is in combination with a biotin compound bearing an anticancer agent.
- 5. Use according to one of claims 2-4, in which said one or more antibodies are monoclonal, and optionally chimeric or recombinant.
- 6. Use according to one of claims 2-5, in which said antibody is antitenascin.
- 7. Use according to claim 2, in which said first agent is avidin and said second agent is a biotin compound bearing an anticancer agent.
- 8. Use according to any of the foregoing claims, in which said anticancer agent is selected from the group consisting of radioisotopes, chemotherapeutic agents, toxins and anticancer cells.

- 9. Use according to claim 8, in which said radioisotope is selected from the group consisting of Fe-52, Mn-52m, Co-55, Cu-64, Ga-67, Ga-68, Tc-99m, In-111, I-123, I-125, I-131, P-32, Sc-47, Cu-67, Y-90, Pd-109, Ag-111, I-131, Pm-149, Re-186, Re-188, At-211, Pb-212, Bi-212, and Lu-177.
- 10. Use according to claim 9, in which said radioisotope is Y-90 or Lu-177.
- 11. Use according to claim 3, in which the biotinylated antibody, the avidin compound and the biotin compound in said medicament are in separate containers.
- 12. Use according to claim 4. in which the avidinated antibody and the biotin compound in said medicament are in separate containers.
- 13. Use according to claim 7, in which the avidin and the biotin compound in said medicament are in separate containers.
- 14. Use according to one of the foregoing claims, in which said tumour is selected from the group consisting of breast, pancreas, lung, pleural, peritoneal, cervico-facial, brain and bladder tumours.
- 15. Use according to one of claims 3-13, in which said avidin is selected from the group consisting of avidin, streptavidin, their polymeric derivatives and their derivatives with polyethylene glycol..
- 16. Use according to one of the foregoing claims, in which said medicament is suitable for injectable administration.
- 17. Use according to claim 16, in which the container of said antibody is in the form of a syringe equipped with one or more needles.
- 18. Use according to one of claims 11-13, in which the container of said antibody is suitable for administration in the form of a spray.

- 19. Use according to claim 11, in which said antibody or mixture of antibodies is contained in a first separate container in a single dose.
- 20. Use according to claim 11, in which said avidin is contained in a second separate container in a single dose.
- 21. Use according to claim 3, in which the amount of avidin in said medicament is in a ratio of from 5:1 to 10:1 to the amount of antibody or mixture of antibodies.
- 22. Use according to claim 11, in which the container of said avidin is in the form of a syringe suitable for successive administrations of precise volumes.
- 23. Use according to claim 7, in which said avidin is contained in a separate container in a single dose.
- 24. Use according to claim 7, in which the container of said avidin is suitable for administration in the form of a spray..
- 25. Kit for two-step adjuvant intra- and perioperative locoregional and/or systemic therapy, containing a set of separate containers, in which the first container contains a biotinylated antibody specific for antigens associated with a tumour or a mixture of antibodies, the second container contains an avidin compound, the third container contains a biotin compound bearing an anticancer agent, and optionally a fourth container containing biotinylated albumin.
- 26. Kit for two-step adjuvant intra- and perioperative locoregional and/or systemic therapy, containing a set of separate containers, in which the first container contains an avidinated antibody specific for antigens associated with a tumour or a mixture of antibodies, and the second container contains a biotin compound bearing an anticancer agent.

- 27. Kit for two-step adjuvant intra- and perioperative locoregional and/or systemic therapy, containing a set of separate containers, in which the first container contains an avidin compound, and the second container contains a biotin compound bearing an anticancer agent.
- 28. Use of a first agent endowed with tumour tropism in combination with a second radiolabelled agent endowed with affinity for said first agent for the preparation of a diagnostic composition for the pretherapeutic biodistribution of the medicament according to claim 1.